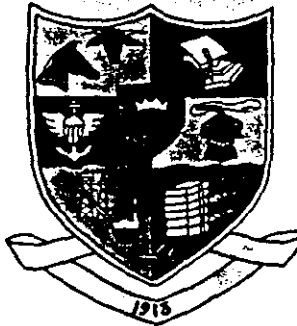


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COUNTY of KLEBERG
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April 16, 1997

The Honorable Carlos Valdez
District Attorney
Nueces, Kleberg and Kenedy Counties
901 Leopard
Corpus Christi, Texas 78401

Dear Mr. Valdez,

This office has been provided with a certified copy of the minutes of the meeting of Commissioners Court Of Kleberg County, held on March 31, 1997. The relevant portion of the minutes state that the Commissioners Court discussed and voted "to order the county auditor..." (attachment 1).

Vernon's Texas Government Codes Annotated (Vernon's, 1988), Section 41.007, opinions to county and precinct officials, states as follows:

A district or county attorney, on request, shall give to a county or precinct official of his district or county a written opinion or written advice relating to the official duties of that official.

Pursuant to said section, I hereby respectfully request a written opinion or written advice regarding:

any and all statutory authority that commissioners court has to order the county auditor.

I will await your timely response before proceeding to act on commissioners court order. Your legal opinion or advice in this matter shall be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Matilde Torres

Matilde Torres
Kleberg County Auditor

Attachment A

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